

Foreign Agricultural Service *GAIN* Report

Global Agriculture Information Network

Voluntary Report - public distribution

GAIN Report #TH1116

Date: 10/22/2001

Thailand Grain and Feed Weekly Rice Price Update 2001

Approved by: **David Kiefner U.S. Embassy, Bangkok**Prepared by:

Panida R.

Report Highlights: Weekly rice price and trade update.

> Includes PSD changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Bangkok [TH1], TH

INDICATIVE PRICES (WEEK ENDING OCT 22):

	EXPORTER	EXPORTER OBSERVATIONS						PERIOD AVG.	
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	CUR.	PRV.
F WR 100 B	260	267	280	270	260	270	270	268	274
WR 100 B	174	174	174	174	172	170	176	173	174
PB 5%	208	211	210	215	210	208	210	210	215
WR 5%	170	170	170	170	167	165	172	169	171
WR 15%	166	166	165	161	163	158	163	163	165
WR 25%	158	153	163	155	152	152	160	156	160
WR 35%	156	150	159	152	149	148	156	153	156
A 1 SUP	144	144	148	146	143	148	148	146	149
A 1 SPEC	143	143	147	145	142	146	147	145	148

MARKET TONE

EXPORT PRICES FOR ALL GRADES OF RICE DECREASED SLIGHTLY IN THE ABSENCE OF MAJOR SALES. IN ADDITION, IT APPROACHES TO THE HARVESTING OF THE NEW MAIN RICE CROP WHICH SEEMS TO BE ANOTHER GOOD YEAR. SOME BUYERS HESITATE TO MAKE A BIG PURCHASES DUE TO UNCLEAR 2002 RICE SUPPORT POLICY WHICH SHOULD HAVE SOME IMPACT ON THE EXPORT PRICE.

THE FOLLOWING ARE REPORTED RICE EXPORTS (AS IS BASIS):

			YEAR	
WEEK	QUANTITY	4-WK AVG	TO DATE	YR AGO
ENDING	(MT)	(MT)	(TMT)	(TMT)
SEP 29	185,556	173,463	5,107	4,373
OCT 6	160,050	173,891	5,267	4,508
OCT 13	186,854	173,106	5,454	4,672
OCT 20	192,415	181,219	5,646	4,847

UNOFFICIAL EXPORTS DURING OCT 14-20 TOTALLED 192,415, UP 5,561 TONS FROM THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND 11,196 TONS FROM THE FOUR WEEK MOVING AVERAGE OF 181,219 TONS. EXPORTS DURING JAN 1 - OCT 21 AMOUNTED TO 5,653,103 TONS COMPARED WITH 4,847,857 TONS DURING THE SAME PERIOD IN 2000.

WEEKLY RICE SALES

PRIVATE REGISTERED RICE SALES WHICH WE WERE ABLE TO TRACK FOR THE PERIOD SEP 24-28, OCT 1-5 AND OCT 8-12 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MOVEMENT DATA	SEP 24-28	OCT 1-5	OCT 8-12
WEEKLY SALES	94,533	98,656	198,668
4 WK SUM	477,444	435,118	534,211
4 WK MOV. AVER.	119,361	108,780	133,553
CUM. WEEKLY SALES	2,916,768	3,015,424	3,214,092